

FIG. 1a - Prior Art

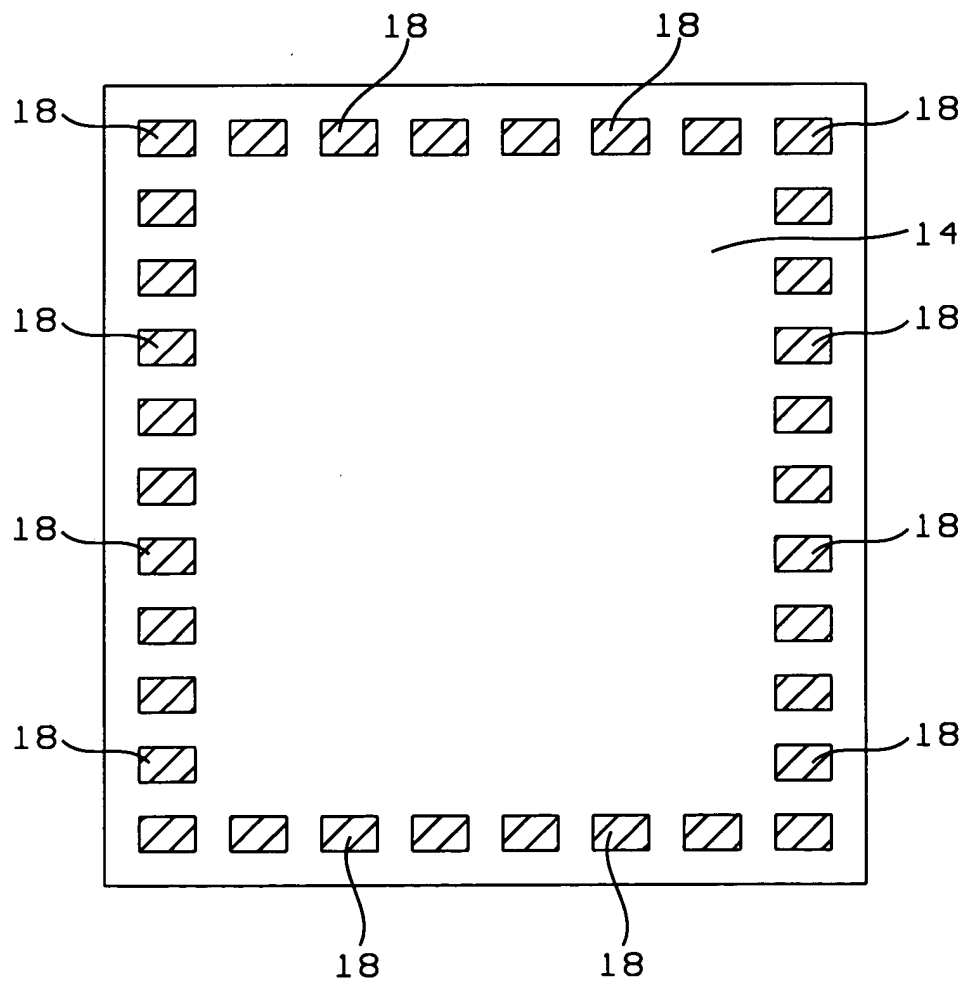


FIG. 1b - Prior Art

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A cross-sectional view of a multi-layered structure. It consists of a top layer (16), a middle layer (12), and a bottom layer (10). The middle layer (12) contains a series of rectangular regions (28) filled with diagonal hatching. Arrows (29) point downwards from the top layer (16) into these hatched regions (28). The bottom layer (10) is a solid, uniform layer.

FIG. 2b

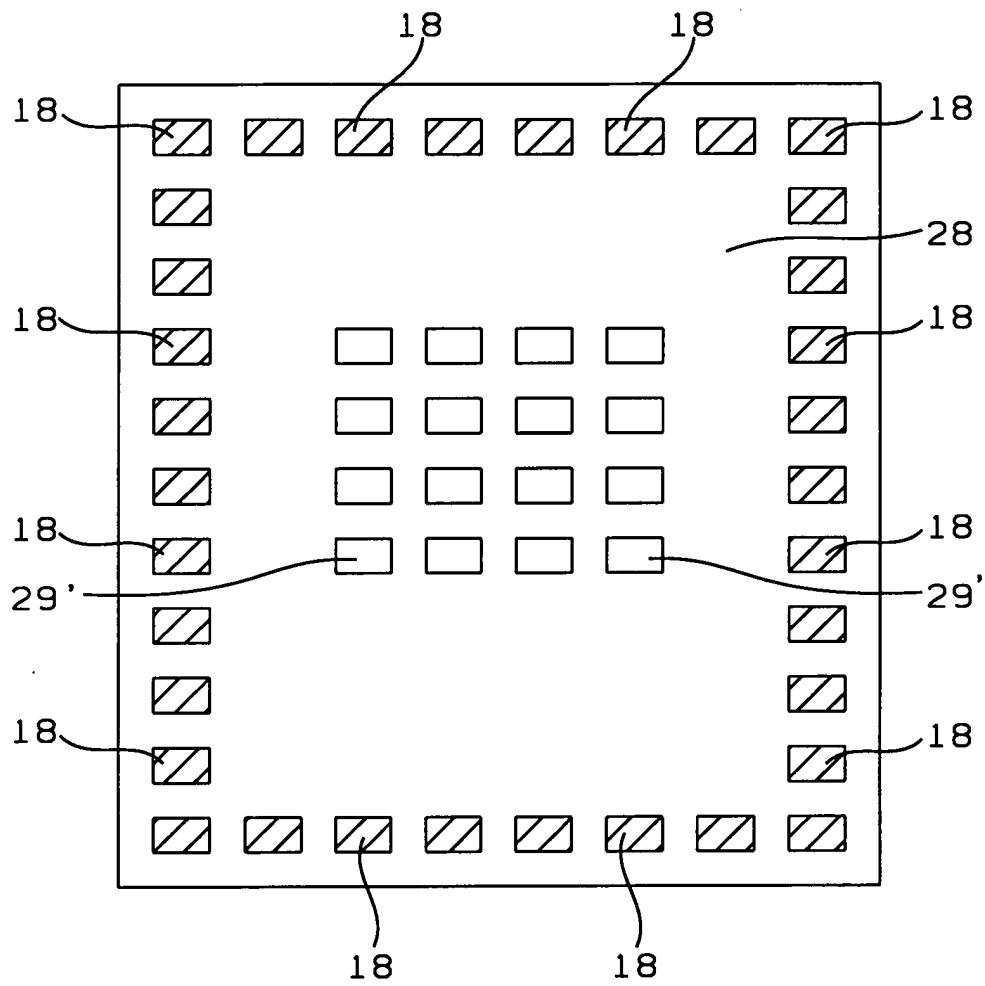


FIG. 2c

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